



The MacChUG Line

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Dear MacChUG friends,

Here we are in our third meeting of the year. Our Technical Director Ron Steinke is going to inform all of us, through the Newsletter of the Month, about what he has prepared for our meeting. I am sure it will be something interesting like always.



We will follow our usual meeting agenda. At 6:30 p.m., the novices will start to expand their knowledge followed by the regular program.

Again, I have to remind everyone that we have a few new positions available in the leadership of the club. As I explained last time, the positions of Vice-President, Treasurer, and Membership Director need to be filled.

This month we have to come up with some nominations, as the normal elections will take place during the month of December. This being said, we would appreciate very much if a few members would consider stepping up to the plate and helping the club with these new responsibilities.

Finally, I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to Mrs. Londa Coy for taking over our library, which is a very important source of knowledge for our members.

I am looking forward to seeing you all again on Thursday, November 19, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at the Masonic Family Center our new location

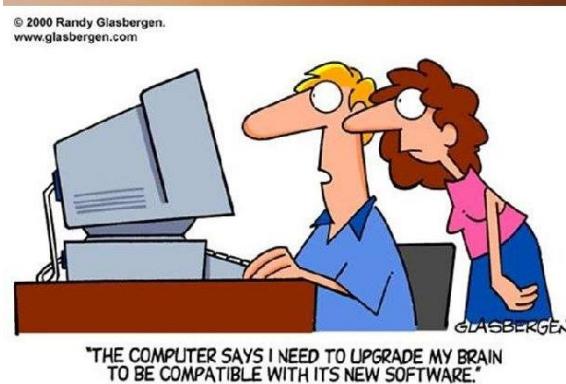
Sincerely,

Gregory Ghica
President

*November Calendar of Events*

Mac and IOS Special Interest Group
November 19, 2015 at 6:30 pm to 7:15 PM
Masonic Family Center
1110 West East Avenue,
Chico, CA 95926

Chico Apple User General Meeting
November 19, 2015 at 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM
Masonic Family Center
1110 West East Avenue,
Chico, CA 95926



We can help!

Come to **Mac and IOS Special Interest Group**
meetings to learn more about your Apple devices.



November Guest Speaker

(Speaker schedule will be updated monthly)

Ron Steinke

Will present



Your Work Experience on a MAC

He will present a short lesson on how to speed up your working experiences on the Mac. Mostly by learning to read the menus of the programs in use and remembering the keyboard commands that are listed on each menu drop-down window.

Ron Steinke is the Program Director and Novice Instructor for MacChUG, the Chico Apple User Group.

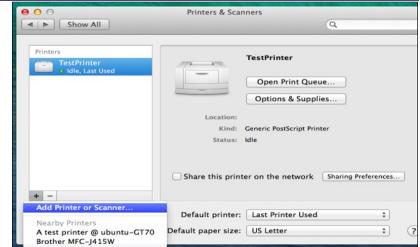


Mac How To

(Tips gathered from various websites, books, and personal training)



Install the software!



Printers are becoming more and more wireless compatible. If you purchase a new printer, you can almost be certain that it will be wireless capable.

Remember that you will still have to install the printer driver software for that printer in order to use it. Once the software is installed, you should use the Printers/Scanners preference program to select the printer and make it your default printer. This is located in the System Preferences under the Apple symbol on the menu bar.



iPad How To

(Tips gathered from various websites, books, and personal training)

How to Connect Your iPad to Your TV



1. Connecting the iPad to Your TV With Apple TV and AirPlay

Apple TV is a great way to connect your iPad to your TV. While it is more expensive than other options, it is the only solution that is wireless. This means you can keep your iPad in your lap and use it as a remote while sending the display to your TV. Apple TV uses AirPlay to interact with your iPad. If an app interacts with AirPlay, it can send full-screen video to the TV. But even apps that don't support AirPlay or video out will work via Display Mirroring, which replicates your iPad's screen on your TV. Another bonus of Apple TV is that a number of apps are already installed on the device. If you love Netflix, Hulu Plus and Crackle, you won't need to connect your iPad to enjoy streaming video from these services. You can load up the app directly on Apple TV. Check out all the apps available on Apple TV. As a bonus, Apple TV also works great with the iPhone and iPod Touch, allowing you to both stream video through AirPlay or just use your entertainment system's speakers to play music.

2. Connect the iPad to your HDTV through HDMI

Apple's Digital AV Adapter is perhaps the easiest and most straight-forward way to hook your iPad up to your HDTV. This adapter allows you to connect an HDMI cable from your iPad to your TV. This cable will send the video out to your TV, which means any app that supports video out will show up in 1080p "HD" quality. And like Apple TV, the Digital AV Adapter supports Display Mirroring, so even apps that don't support video out will show up on your television set. Worried about battery life? The adapter also allows you to connect a USB cable into your iPad, which can provide power to the device and keep that battery from running low while you are binging on Seinfeld or some other TV series. You can also stream your movie collection from your PC to your iPad to your HDTV using home sharing. This is a great way to finally switch from DVD and Blu-Ray to digital video without losing the ability to see it on your big screen TV.

3. Connect the iPad through composite/component cables

If your television doesn't support HDMI, or if you are simply running low on HDMI outputs on your HDTV, you can also opt for connecting the iPad to your TV with composite or component cables. The composite adapters break the video into red, blue and green, which gives a slightly better picture, but composite adapters are **only available for the old 30-pin adapters**. Component adapters use the single 'yellow' video cable compatible along with the red and white sound cables, which is compatible with almost all television sets. The component and composite cables **will not** support the Display Mirroring mode on the iPad, so they will only work with apps like Netflix and YouTube that support video out. They also fall short of 720p video, so the quality will not be as high as the Digital AV Adapter or Apple TV. Unfortunately, these accessories may not be available for the newer Lightning connector, so you may need a Lightning to 30-Pin adapter.

4. Connect the iPad with a VGA adapter

By using Apple's VGA adapter, you can hook your iPad up to a television equipped with a VGA input, a computer monitor, a projector and other display devices that support VGA. This can be great if you have a space computer monitor. And because many newer monitors support multiple display sources, you could even switch between using your monitor for your desktop and using it for your iPad. The VGA adapter will also support the Display Mirroring mode. However, **it does not transfer sound**, so you either need to listen through the iPad's built-in speakers or through external speakers hooked up through the iPad's headphone jack.

If you are planning on watching through your television, the HDMI adapter or the component cables are the best solutions. But if you plan on using a computer monitor or want to use your iPad for large presentations with a projector, the VGA adapter may be the best solution. However, it is important to note that the VGA adapter comes in at a hefty price, which may be more than the current price of Apple TV.



iPhone How To

(Tips gathered from various websites, books, and personal training)



iPhone Tips and Tricks



Must Have iPhone Gadgets And Accessories for Christmas Giving

By Bogdan Sandu in Gadgets

1. Freeloader Pico Solar Rechargeable iPhone Charger – \$39.99

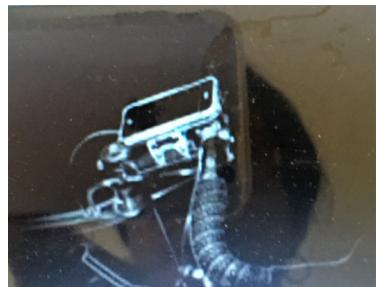
<http://www.amazon.com/Freeloader-Solar-Rechargeable-iPhone-Charger/dp/B0029KH944/>



Freeloader PICO is a compact and lightweight solar charger designed for people on the move! Using advanced solar cell and lithium ion battery technologies, PICO will charge its internal battery in double quick time. It then takes only 30 minutes to deliver its power to give a mobile phone, iPod or GPS etc etc. Freeloader PICO is supplied with four connection tips, a master cable and a comprehensive user manual. PICO can also directly connect to any device supplied with a USB charge / sync cable, giving virtually unlimited connectivity. PICO can be powered from both its own solar cell or from connection to a PC or lap top (cable supplied). Whether hiking the Grand Canyon, ATV'ing in Moab or chilling on a beach in the Bahamas, the Freeloader PICO delivers!

2. GoRide – Bike Mount for iPhone 3G/3GS

http://www.bicio.com/GoRide_iphoneBikeMount.php



Unlike other iPhone bike mounts on the market, the GoRide was designed for cyclists who want to have access to their iPhone during rides without sacrificing safety and convenience, and without having some bulky contraption attached to their bike.

3. Home & Office Mat with Powercube – \$59.99

<http://www.powermat.com/home-and-office-mat.html>



Three position wireless charging mat for home or office + Universal Powercube Receiver. Keep three devices fully charged at all times with the convenience of this three position charging station. The included Powercube let's you charge hundreds of devices right out of the box.

I have chosen 14 items that look interesting and you may want to investigate further online for the best prices. Come to our class and learn together. We will help each one of you with your questions. Call Kathy Brooks 514-8099.

iPhone tip of the month is brought to you by: Kathy Brooks



Apple Tech News Alerts



Second OS X 10.11.2 El Capitan Beta to Developers

On November 3, 2015, Apple seeded the second beta of an upcoming OS X 10.11.2 El Capitan update to developers, one week after [seeding the first beta](#) and two weeks after releasing the first OS X El Capitan update to the public, [OS X 10.11.1](#).

The new beta, build 15C31f, can be downloaded through the Apple Developer Center and through the Software Update mechanism in the Mac App Store.



OS X 10.11.2 beta 2 PRE-RELEASE

This is a pre-release version of OS X v10.11.2.

Please refer to the release notes for complete installation instructions.

Build
15C31f

Posted Date
Nov 3, 2015

It is not known what improvements the second update to OS X El Capitan will bring, but it's likely to focus on bug fixes, security enhancements, and performance improvements to address issues that have been discovered since the release of OS X 10.11.1. Apple's beta 1 release notes asked developers to focus on Graphics, Mail, Wi-Fi, Calendar, USB, Notes, Photos, and Spotlight.



Apple Tech News Alerts (Part 2)

 iOS 9

Apple Releases Second iOS 9.2 Beta for Public Beta Testers

On November 4, 2015, Apple seeded the second beta of iOS 9.2 to public beta testers, one day after seeding the second beta to developers and a week after releasing the first iOS 9.2 public beta. iOS 9.2 follows iOS 9.1, which launched on October 21.

According to the release notes for the first iOS 9.2 beta, the Safari View Controller (the view of Safari you see within apps) is being updated with support for third-party Action Extensions that will let it more closely mirror the Safari app. It also includes options to reload content and request a desktop site, as in Safari, and iOS 9.2 beta 2 improves Safari View Controller further, introducing support for dismissing it with an edge swipe.

Along with improvements to Safari View Controller, iOS 9.2 also introduces support for AT&T's NumberSync Wi-Fi Calling feature and includes bug fixes for iCloud Keychain, Apple Watch syncing and pairing, audio quality when streaming to stereo systems, and more.



Apple Tech News Alerts (Part 2)



iPad Pro

Apple's 12.9-inch iPad, launching in November



At A Glance

The iPad Pro is Apple's largest iPad yet, with a 12.9-inch 2732 x 2048 resolution display, a powerful A9X processor, a super slim design, and a four-speaker audio system. The iPad Pro will be available for purchase in November, but Apple has not yet confirmed a specific launch date.

Features

- 12.9-inch 2732 x 2048 resolution display
- A9X processor
- iPad Air 2-style design
- Four-speaker audio system
- Optional Smart Keyboard
- Optional Apple Pencil



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